CLAIMS

1. (Newly Amended) A method of producing nitride based heterostructure devices comprising the steps of:

providing a substrate; and

applying a ternary layer on the substrate, wherein the ternary layer includes Ga, In, and N;

applying a quaternary layer over the substrate on the ternary layer, wherein the quaternary layer includes <u>Ga, Al, N, and</u> In.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the substrate comprises one of the group comprising sapphire, SiC, ZnO, a spinel substrate, Si, anodized alumina, and AlN.
- 3-6 (Deleted)
- 7. (Newly Amended) The method of claim $6\,\underline{1}$, wherein the quaternary layer includes about a 20% to 30% molar fraction of Al.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the quaternary layer further includes about a 2% to 5% molar fraction of In.

9. (Newly Amended) A method of producing nitride based heterostructure devices comprising the steps of:

providing a substrate;

applying a buffer layer on the substrate;

applying a first layer including GaN over on the substrate buffer layer;

applying a ternary second layer over on the first layer, wherein the ternary second layer includes a compound selected from the group comprising AlGaN and InGaN; and

applying a quaternary layer <u>over on</u> the <u>ternary second</u> layer, wherein the quaternary layer includes AlInGaN.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the substrate includes one of the group comprising sapphire, SiC, ZnO, a spinel substrate, Si, anodized alumina, and AlN.

11. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the quaternary layer includes about a 20% to about 30% molar fraction of Al.

12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the quaternary layer further includes about a 2% to about 5% molar fraction of In.

Claims 13-19 (Deleted)

- 20. (New) The method of claim 9, wherein the second layer further includes In.
- 21. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein the buffer layer and the first layer further include In.



22. (New) A method of producing nitride based heterostructure devices comprising the steps of: providing a substrate;

providing a buffer layer on the substrate;

applying a ternary layer on the buffer layer, wherein the ternary layer includes Ga, In, and N; and

applying a quaternary layer on the ternary layer, wherein the quaternary layer includes Ga, Al, In, and N.

- 23. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the buffer layer includes Al and N.
- 24. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the buffer layer further includes In.